

News Flash

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Canadian Horse Heritage
& Preservation Society

Taking Stock

It's mid-summer, a perfect time to take stock of your riding prowess (bad habits you want to break, good habits you're dying to acquire), equine care++, and to think through what your 'next steps' need to be, to achieve them

Entering shows as an exhibitor or contestant is a great morale booster for you and your horse. Any fall shows you're thinking of entering to show off your Canadian? Classes you're attending? We'd love to hear from you.

What's happening at the fairs in your province/state? Let us know upfront, then send in one or two pics and a few lines after the show, and we'll include you in our Fairs Round-up towards the end of this year. You can reach our editor at media@chhaps.ca.

Introducing the Board

Christiane Ferland joined the Board in 2025 as a Director at Large. Her wide knowledge of hoof care will be a great asset as we move forward.

Fun Fact!

Christiane currently trims around 50 hooves per month; she's interested in acupuncture to help her horses as well as equine rehabilitation. In her spare time, Christiane collects fresh eggs from her chickens. A busy Board Member!

Featured Canadian Horse

Christiane Ferland has two Canadiens whose personalities couldn't be more different: 16-year-old Lapado Julo Kalumet is a very chilled brown-black gelding, and Bromont Zatarra Djaran is a lively ten-year-old black gelding.



Kalumet, carrying Christiane and her 4 yr old nephew, Victor

"I call Kal the mommy van and DJ the sports car! Kal's flowing mane, his curiosity and love of people make him popular with those who don't know much about horses or are afraid to approach them. He has an itchy tummy and will park himself in front of you for scratches. Walk away, and he will reposition himself in front of you. Fun, but it can also be challenging when I need to pick up his poop.

Over the years, we have done a lot of trail-riding together along with dressage and judged pleasure rides. Today, Kal is working as a therapeutic riding horse.



Djaran staring at his owner/rider, Christiane Ferland

Djaran is trained in dressage. My goal is to build a strong connection in our riding that will make our rides flow."

Upcoming Events

The CHHAPS Annual Iron Horse Photo/Video Contest closed as of July 1. Results will appear in next month's News Flash and will be posted simultaneously on our Facebook page.

Pitt Meadows- Maple Ridge Country Fest

- Saturday-Sunday, Jul 25-26
- Albion Fairground, Maple Ridge
- Terry Spring (our CHHAPS president will exhibit)
- Overall theme of the show: Canadian Heritage – a perfect fit for us.

Equine Affaire

- Thursday Nov 12-Sunday Nov 15
- Eastern State Exposition, W. Springfield, MA

Meg Currier, our CHHAPS lead for this show, will have CHHAPS merchandise on hand (more on that great news in our Aug issue of News Flash). Meg is currently busy assessing which horses will be attending, creating trading cards, sorting out booth volunteers and getting demos solidified. Phew, lots of prep work involved!

Where Next?

If you learn of an event where CHHAPS could exhibit or compete, please drop a note to Carol at media@chhaps.ca and she'll look into it!

Preserving a Legend

The Canadian Horse Heritage and Preservation Society (CHHAPS) is an international non-profit dedicated to expanding awareness of this historic breed, le Cheval Canadien, through education and active participation in national, local and county-wide horse fairs. Currently listed as a rare breed, help us bring it back from the brink of extinction so that riders, owners and enthusiasts alike can enjoy the versatility of these magnificent animals for many generations to come.

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